

Questions and Answers Common to all RFP's

Q - Is there an upper limit on the amount of money available for this RFP?

A – Yes there is but that has not been established. We feel there are sufficient funds to cover what we feel are the important needs. We look to the science to tell us how much the studies will cost. Different people will likely have different approaches and those differences will have different costs. We will evaluate all of the proposals and then decide, based on cost and other factors, how much of the total package we wish to fund. Each RFP specifically indicates our willingness to consider all or parts of each proposal.

Q - We are not clear on the source of funding. This makes a difference to our Administrative Officer. If you were to fund our proposal, where would the money officially come from?

A - We have several sources. The RFP in each case states that we will decide upon acceptance of any specific proposal on the funding source. Most of the studies will be funded with money currently in Science Office accounts. The other probable source of funding is money within the accounts of the Salton Sea Authority.

Q - For previous SSA-sponsored projects, requests for travel funds for scientific meetings (other than those called by SSA/SSSO) were specifically disallowed. None of the current RFPs make any mention of that matter.

A – The policy remains the same as in prior RFP's. We expect submitters to include travel funds for coordination and review meetings in the vicinity of the Science Office. Three trips per year of a full day of meetings should be budgeted for. Funds are not being provided for presentations at scientific meetings.

Q – Where can I get access to studies/documents already produced by Science Office or SSA funded activities

A – Much of it is available online through the University of Redlands Salton Sea Database Program at <http://cem.uor.edu/salton/>. The Science Office can also be contacted for assistance.